SUBJECT No. 140.

Change of text-books.

(a) Mr. Nanjundappa, Chitaldrug taluk.
(b) Messrs. C. Srinivasa Rao, Chikmagalur taluk, Veene Rangaswamiengar, Krishna Setty and Subbaraya Mudaliar, Seringapatam taluk.

Summary of discussion.—(a) The frequent change of text-books in schools has been causing much inconvenience to the poorer classes of pupils. Common text-books may be prescribed in all the schools throughout the State, and these should not be altered year after year.

(b) The frequent change of text-books in schools has been causing much inconvenience to the public and hinders the regular course of instruction, in addition to the inconvenience caused by an inadequate supply in the Central Book Depot. Orders may be passed that text-books once prescribed do remain in force for at least five years.

Reply of Government.—Will be considered.

SUBJECT No. 141.

Sanskrit teachers to A.-V. schools.

Messrs. G. Narasimha Char and Venkatramana Setty, T.-Narsipur taluk.

Summary of discussion.—Boys desirous of taking up Sanskrit as their optional subject cannot prosecute Sanskrit studies for examinations. It is prayed that arrangements may be made to provide A.-V. schools with Sanskrit teachers.

A Sanskrit teacher may be sent to the T.-Narsipur school.

Reply of Government.—Will be referred to the Inspector-General of Education for compliance with the prayer so far as the T.-Narsipur school is concerned.

SUBJECT No. 142.

Establishment of hobli schools in every village in the malnad.

Mr. Kalase Gowda, Mudgere taluk.

Summary of discussion.—Better educational facilities may be afforded in the malnad by establishing a school in each village, where 10 pupils can be found.

Reply of Government.—Noted.

SUBJECT No. 143.

Efficient teachers to be employed in A.-V. and taluk Kannada schools.

(a) Mr. H. Krishna Sastri, Sri Yadugiri Sadananda Vardhini Sabha, Melkote.
(b) Mr. C. B. Gopala Rao, Kolar municipality.

Summary of discussion.—(a) Before a large number of new schools is opened in the State, more teachers who have undergone Upper Secondary training may be employed in the A.-V. and taluk Kannada schools on increased salaries, and good training imparted to the Lower Secondary students, who after undergoing training and passing the examination will be available for the new schools to be established. It is also desirable that the would-be teachers should be taught some one of the industries.

(b) Efficiency of the existing schools is more important than their mere multiplication. It is prayed that at least one teacher may be appointed for every 20 boys in primary schools and classes.

Mr. C. Vasudeva Rao.—In Chikmagalur we have a head master who does not know English, and a graduate assistant master under him. This should not be allowed.

Reply of Government.—Noted.